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2010 PAY PERIOD MONTHS	PAY PERIOD INCLUSIVE DATES	PAYROLL SEMIMONTHLY CUTOFF DATES	PERSONNEL/ SEMIMONTHLY CUTOFF DATES	PAYROLL MASTER CUTOFF DATES	PERSONNEL MASTER CUTOFF DATES
JANUARY	1/01-1/31	01/08	01/07	01/21	01/15
FEBRUARY	2/01-3/01	02/05	02/04	02/18	02/12
MARCH	3/02-3/31	03/09	03/08	03/22	03/17
APRIL	4/01-4/30	04/09	04/08	04/22	04/19
MAY	5/01-5/31	05/07	05/06	05/20	05/17
JUNE	6/01-6/30	06/09	06/08	06/22	06/17
JULY	7/01-7/31	07/09	07/08	07/22	07/19
AUGUST	8/01-8/31	08/06	08/05	08/20	08/17
SEPTEMBER	9/01-9/30	09/08	09/07	09/22	09/17
OCTOBER	10/01-11/01	10/08	10/07	10/21	10/18
NOVEMBER	11/02-12/01	11/09	11/08	11/18	11/15
DECEMBER	12/02-12/31	12/09	12/08	12/22	12/17

PERSONNEL/PAYROLL CUTOFF DATES FOR 2011

2011 PAY PERIOD MONTHS	PAY PERIOD INCLUSIVE DATES	PAYROLL SEMIMONTHLY CUTOFF DATES	PERSONNEL/ SEMIMONTHLY CUTOFF DATES	PAYROLL MASTER CUTOFF DATES	PERSONNEL MASTER CUTOFF DATES
JANUARY	1/1-1/31	01/10	01/07	01/21	01/18
FEBRUARY	2/1-3/1	02/09	02/08	02/17	02/14
MARCH	3/2-3/31	03/09	03/08	03/22	03/17
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EMPLOYEE ACTION REQUEST (EAR) (Form 686)

PURPOSE/USE

The EAR is used to document an employee's

- . birthdate
- . name
- . address
- . withholding allowance information
- . prior State/Public employment

REQUIRED

An EAR MUST be processed for:

- . new employees
- . employees returning after a permanent separation
- . current employees reporting changes
- . employees receiving IRS/State notification of mandatory withholding change
- . deceased employees

PAR's which do not have an EAR attached for employees who are new, returning after permanent separation or deceased will be returned.

EXCEPTIONS- An EAR is RECOMMENDED but not required for the following:

- . Agricultural Associations (Agency 014 - Unit 000)
- . Immediate Pay appointment/separation method
- . Emergency and Retired Annuitant appointments

Although an EAR is not required in the above cases, all employees must be given IRS form W-4 and the applicable state withholding form (California DE 4, New York IT 2104, Illinois IL W-4) and complete an EAR so they may claim appropriate withholding allowances. If employee does not complete an EAR, taxes will be withheld as follows:

- . For a returning employee with prior history on the data base, taxes will be withheld based on the previously claimed marital status and allowances. Any previously claimed Federal or State Additional Withholding will be deducted.
- . For a new employee, or for a returning employee with no prior history on the data base, taxes will be withheld as for a single person claiming no allowances.

NOT REQUIRED

Do not process an EAR for:

- . employees returning from a temporary separation with no changes to report (S49-S57)
- . employees transferring between departments with no changes to report
- . employees appointed to an additional position with no changes to report

6.2 (Rev. 05/94)

EMPLOYEE ACTION REQUEST (EAR) - (Form 686) (Cont.)

QUESTIONS

For information or questions about completing the EAR Form, the appointing power may call Personnel Operations, Production Support Unit at (916) 322-8141.

ROUTING:

ORIGINAL

Transactions that require PPSD processing submit directly to:

State Controller's Office
Personnel/Payroll Services Division
Personnel Operations
P. O. Box 942850
Sacramento, CA 94250-5878

For New Employee transactions, the original EAR must be attached with the appointment PAR.

YELLOW COPY - May be retained by the department.

PINK COPY - Retained by employee along with the instruction sheet (fourth page).

6.9.1 (Revised 11/10)
SECTION F - EMPLOYEE ADDRESS (cont.)

F.02 – City and State

These fields must not be left “empty” or blank. Do not use any punctuation in these fields. Leave two spaces between the city/town name and the two letter US State abbreviation code. Complete as follows:

CITY:

- Enter the full city, town or municipality name, do not abbreviate.
- Do not enter more than 23 characters (including spaces) for city.

STATE:

- Enter the State’s or Territory’s USPS-approved, two-letter, US State abbreviation code. (**See following table on PAM page 6.9.2 & 6.9.3**)
- Do not enter more than two (2) digits for the state.

(Refer to PAM Appendix IV for State Reporting Codes.)

F.03 – Zip Code

Enter the valid **five-digit** Zip Code to ensure mail delivery. This field must not be left “empty”, blank or all zeros.

If the address is international (foreign country address), enter “00001” for the Zip Code.

F.04 – Employment List(s)

If box is checked, send a copy of the STD. 686 to your departmental delegated testing/examination processing unit to update the employee’s address and phone number on any departmental employment list.

NOTE: An employee’s EAR address change does not change an employee’s U.S. Savings bond Account address. A Std. Form 242, PART III, change in Authorization, must be completed and submitted to PPSD, Bond Unit.

NOTE: The EAR no longer provides for the employees’ home address to be withheld. A STD Form 677 “Request for Nondisclosure of Employee Home Address” must be completed by the employee and submitted to the Personnel Office. See Personnel Letter #99-003 (Civil Service) and #99-004 (CSU) for instructions.

6.9.2 (New 11/08)

US States/Possessions	Abbreviation
ALABAMA	AL
ALASKA	AK
AMERICAN SAMOA	AS
ARIZONA	AZ
ARKANSAS	AR
CALIFORNIA	CA
COLORADO	CO
CONNECTICUT	CT
DELAWARE	DE
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	DC
FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA	FM
FLORIDA	FL
GEORGIA	GA
GUAM	GU
HAWAII	HI
IDAHO	ID
ILLINOIS	IL
INDIANA	IN
IOWA	IA
KANSAS	KS
KENTUCKY	KY
LOUISIANA	LA
MAINE	ME
MARSHALL ISLANDS	MH
MARYLAND	MD
MASSACHUSETTS	MA
MICHIGAN	MI
MINNESOTA	MN
MISSISSIPPI	MS
MISSOURI	MO
MONTANA	MT
NEBRASKA	NE
NEVADA	NV
NEW HAMPSHIRE	NH
NEW JERSEY	NJ
NEW MEXICO	NM
NEW YORK	NY
NORTH CAROLINA	NC
NORTH DAKOTA	ND
NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS	MP
OHIO	OH
OKLAHOMA	OK
OREGON	OR
PALAU	PW